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Hongkong, December 11, 1903. 2490

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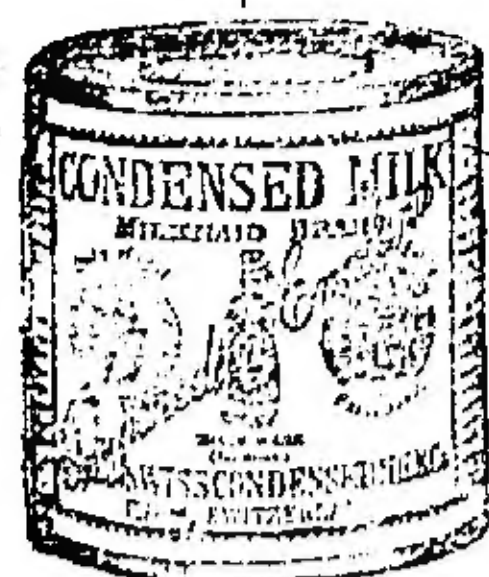
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The Ladies' Prize will be presented by Miss Berkeley immediately after the Race on Thursday, the 17th Inst., at 3.30 p.m. Through the courtesy of Mr. Dixon, the Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., the *Pace* will leave Blake Pier on each day at 12.30 p.m. and 1.15 p.m., to convey Visitors on board the Flagship, leaving the Flagship 10 minutes after the last Race on each day. By kind permission of Lt.-Col. W. S. Birdwood and Officers, the Band of the 10th Mahratta Light Infantry will perform each day.

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HAROLD C. AUSTEN, Actg. Hon. Secretary, V.R.C. Hongkong, December 10, 1903. 2489

VICTORIA REGATTA.

THE HONGKONG BOAT CLUB'S LAUNCH will leave the Queen's Statue Wharf on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, at 1 and 2.15 o'clock for the convenience of Members.

Hongkong, December 10, 1903. 2529

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, December 12, 1903. 2506

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The REGISTER OF SHARES will be CLOSED from 17th December, 1903, to 4th January, 1904, both days inclusive.

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Intimations.

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In the City of Victoria, below Cairne Road, from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. In Seymour Road, North side of Robinson Road, North side of Upper Richmond Road and South side of Macdonnell Road, from 8 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. South side of Robinson Road, South side of Upper Richmond Road and in Conduit Road, from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m.

In Queen's Gardens, from 6 a.m. to 7.15 a.m. In Peak Road, above Queen's Gardens, from 7.15 a.m. to 8.15 a.m.

In Peak Road, below Queen's Gardens, from 8.15 a.m. to 9.15 a.m. In the Hill District:—From Peak to Victoria Gap, from 6 a.m. to 7 a.m.

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In Barker Road, from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. In Magazine Gap District, from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

W. CHATHAM, Water Authority. Public Works Department, Hongkong, December 16, 1903. 2533

NOTICE.

OWNERS OF HOUSES Situated in the Western Division of the City of Victoria who have not had their Premises WASHED AND CLEANED in accordance with Law, are reminded that the period during which this work should be finished ends on the 31st day of December, 1903, and the Sanitary Board, being convinced of the necessity of cleanliness in its efforts to STAMP OUT PLAGUE, is determined to RIGOROUSLY PROSECUTE any owner in default after the above-named date.

Note:—The Western Division of the City lies to the West of Tank Lane and Cleverly Street.

By Order of the Board, G. A. WOODCOCK, Secretary. Sanitary Board Office, 1st December, 1903. 2424

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THE NAVY VICTUALLING
SCHEME.

'Chiron' writes to the Sydney Evening News an account of H.M.S. Royal Arthur's recent trip to Singapore. On the way the new victualling scheme came into force. Of it he says:—On October 1 the new 'victualling scheme' came into force, the scheme which tends to turn the variable old sea dog, Salt-water Jack, into a well-looked-after and spoon-fed boy. At one time 'Jack' was allowed three meals a day—breakfast at 5.30 a.m., dinner at 12 noon, supper at 4 p.m. Anything else he wanted between times at a 'stand easy' he had to procure for himself out of the canteen. Now he is allowed five meals, or, rather, five times per diem he is allowed to have food; but he does not get much more than before; it is now more evenly divided, although several luxuries have been added. First of all, 'Jack' gets a cup of cocoa at 4.30 a.m., and supplies his own bread; then breakfast at 8 a.m., tea or coffee, tinned milk, pressed beef (this used to be a recognised 'stand-easy' during which Jack always had a bite out of his own pocket); then dinner at 12 noon, the allowance of meat being somewhat decreased; at 4 p.m., 'afternoon tea,' my word! at 8 p.m., supper.

The luxuries added to Jack's fare consist of tea, coffee, jam, marmalade, milk, and there is a revision of the routine and allowance of salt pork, compressed beef, preserved mutton. Vegetables are now provided—compressed vegetables and evaporated potatoes. Now, out of a supply like that, a good cook would make a very dainty menu for the rickshaw, rowdy, happy-go-lucky, devil-may-care sailor, and that's just what he says, and why don't they supply the cook and gear to cook in? There is plenty of room for improvement yet. Extra cooks and utensils, and perhaps waitresses in white aprons, serviettes and tablecloths may be added. As Jack says, in his own way, 'Strike me, Bill, if I ain't a bloomin' duke, all of a sudden.' Strange to say, though, the more one does for the British blue the less he does for himself; and now he is too lazy to take all the extra food and cook it. Undoubtedly, if one was to cook for him, he would eat it quick enough, but 'it's too much for him to cook all them luxuries.'

When the compressed vegetables were served out, there were many looks of surprise, and instead of getting dried carrots, etc., heads of cabbage, a small, hard block of stuff was served out. 'Is that all for our mess?' and then a roar of laughter. This was the cause of great interest and amusement. When the cube of stuff was put in a mess-kettle full of water, and the lot placed on the galley fire, about 200 eager faces watched developments, and, much to everybody's surprise, it did swell, and became a very decent substitute for the real thing—tasty and sufficient. Likewise the potatoes were watched, but while the canteen will supply decent spuds Jack will have them in preference. He is sorely disappointed at the decrease of the only decent gaiter supplied, and that is the allowance of cocoa is only two-thirds its original size, and that was small enough—it was only just enough. Now it is spoilt, and the unfortunate mess which is served last gets plenty of liquid, but very little substance.

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Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Comdr. O. de B. Brock	Yokohama
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Captain T. H. M. Jernin	Hongkong
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Comdr. R. N. Yule	Singapore
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Capt. Charles Windham O.V.O.	Hongkong
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Captain F. G. Stopford	Hongkong
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut.-Com. F. M. Leake	Hongkong
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut.-Comdr. T. D. Pratt	Hongkong
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Captain Henry M. Tudor	Nagasaki
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Comdr. Robert H. S. Stokes	Hongkong
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Captain Ernest Darnley	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Comdr. P. V. Lawes, D.M.S.	Hongkong
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Captain W. A. Gair	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut.-Com. H. L. Wall	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Comdr. J. D. Dainton	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut.-Comdr. G. Asor	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut.-Comdr. G. B. Powell	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut.-Comdr. G. G. Webster	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Comdr. C. W. M. Plenderle	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Captain R. F. F. F. F. F.	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut.-Com. G. G. G. G. G.	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Comdr. W. H. H. H. H.	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Captain Morris H. Smyth	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Com. D. St. A. Wake	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut.-Com. John P. Irwin	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Comdr. T. Jackson	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut.-Com. Murray Lockhart	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Capt. C. H. H. Moore	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut.-Comdr. Davidson	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Fleet Reserve	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Captain Lewis Bayly	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Comdr. R. R. R. R. R.	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut.-Comdr. E. V. Dugan	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Capt. J. A. C. Wilkison	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Lieut. Forbes	Wellington
Albatross	dispatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Capt. Leslie Stuart, O.M.G.	Wellington
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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Aspern	Austrian cruiser	362	—	—	Capt. Friedrich Grinzenberg	Shanghai
Acheron	French gunboat	1700	—	—	Captain Latorriere	Shanghai
Alouette	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Varney	Canton
Argus	French gunboat	476	8	450	Commander Jorret	Saigon
Aglio	French gunboat	560	—	—	Lieut. Heron	Haiphong
Avalanche	French gunboat	570	29	6000	Capt. Lafave	Haiphong
Bengali	French cruiser	6018	18	—	Captain V. Poulissac	Shanghai
Bugeaud	French gunboat	525	—	—	Commander Louet	Saigon
Chateaufort	French gunboat	530	—	—	Commander Gutschell	Haiphong
Comete	French gunboat	1390	5	2200	Capt. Le Goullier	Saigon
Dandolo	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Bécue	Hongkong
Keraint	French cruiser	9750	12	19,600	Captain Aves	Saigon
Lion	French gunboat	4015	27	8500	Capt. Huret	Shanghai
Montcalm	French gunboat	1795	10	6971	Captain Seals	Hongkong
Olyx	French cruiser	4015	27	8500	Capt. Vincent	Saigon
Pascal	French gunboat	1795	10	6971	Captain Thomas	Saigon
Redoubtable	French gunboat	429	2	900	Lieut. Gallard	Hongkong
Styx	French gunboat	4015	27	8500	Captain Blom	Yamaguchi
Surprise	French gunboat	1795	10	6971	Lieut. Carol	Saigon
Takiang	French destroyer	400	4	441	Comdr. Villeneuve	Along Bay
Takou	French cruiser	—	—	—	—	Canton
Vauban	French gunboat	400	4	441	—	Saigon
Vigilante	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	—
Viper	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	—
Boward	German cruiser	1537	15	2800	Comdr. Huss	Shanghai
Fürst Bismarck	German flagship	11,900	38	14,000	Captain Friedrich	Amoy
Geier	German cruiser	1776	16	—	Comdr. Wuthmann	Shanghai
Hansa	German cruiser	6000	34	10,000	Capt. van Sumeren	Tokohama
Hertha	German cruiser	6000	34	10,000	Capt. Inghel	Nagasaki
Itis	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Commander D. D.	Hongkong
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Wilbrandt	Tsobe
Luchs	German gunboat	850	10	—	Comdr. Krouche	Amoy
Scorpion	German gunboat	1339	—	—	Comdr. Fasper	Hongkong
Tiger	German gunboat	1640	15	2800	Comdr. Hoffmann	Nanking
Thor	German cruiser	900	10	1300	Comdr. Schrader	Pootow
Thetis	German gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. von Weiss	Shanghai
Vorwärts	German gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Dick	Shanghai
Calabria	Italian cruiser	2442	19	4420	Capt. Castiglia Francesco	Singapore
Piemonte	Italian cruiser	2427	31	12,000	Captain Armona	Shanghai
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	4500	21	6820	Captain Zeli	Shanghai
Diu	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Diego de Sa	Macao
Zaire	Portuguese gunboat	600	—	—	Capt. F. J. Barboza Leal	Macao
Alcot	Russian gunboat	810	6	730	Comdr. Guinter	Vladivostok
Amur	Russian cruiser	2900	6	4700	Comdr. Gramatikoff	Port Art.
Askold	Russian cruiser	6000	27	—	Capt. Reichenstein	Kobe
Bayarin	Russian cruiser	3200	6	—	Comdr. Erjokovitch	Port Art.
Bobak	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	—	Shanghai
Dogelyr	Russian gunboat	2840	12	—	—	Port Art.
Diana	Russian cruiser	6731	6	—	—	Port Art.
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Comdr. Yonoff	Shanghai
Gremiatel	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Zagarsky	Nagasaki
Gromobol	Russian battleship	13,364	44	14,500	Captain J. J. J.	Shanghai
Gullik	Russian gunboat	6000	10	—	Comdr. Shumoff	Shanghai
Korcora	Russian gunboat	1000	7	1500	Comdr. Noyakow	Nanking
Mandjar	Russian gunboat	1913	7	1400	Comdr. Murof	Shanghai
Otrajay	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Vasilief	Port Art.
Palida	Russian gunboat	6731	12	—	—	Port Art.
Peresiev	Russian battleship	12,074	15	14,500	Captain Korolef	Nagasaki
Poropaylovsk	Russian battleship	10,860	16	10,000	Captain Jakovlev	Port Art.
Pobeda	Russian battleship	12,074	15	14,500	Capt. Zatzarseng	Port Art.
Poltava	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,000	Captain Osoff	Port Art.
Rasbonyia	Russian gunboat	1534	10	1788	Comdr. Liven	Kwong
Ratizvan	Russian gunboat	12,002	16	18,000	Captain Sepokalipon	Port Art.
Rosia	Russian gunboat	12,200	68	17,000	Capt. Matusevich	Vladivostok
Savastopol	Russian protected cruiser	10,925	16	10,000	Captain Serbom	Macao
Silach	Russian battleship	10,960	16	10,000	Captain Serbom	Nagasaki
Sivotch	Russian gunboat	850	2	1125	Lieut.-Comdr. Yonoff	Port Art.
Varyag	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1120	Comdr. Ginter	Port Art.
Vendik	Russian gunboat	6500	27	20,000	Capt. Bahr	Port Art.
Zabiyaka	Russian gunboat	650	9	3300	Comdr. Zagarsky-Kleno	Port Art.
Albany	U. S. cruiser	3500	—	—	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Art.
Calico	U. S. cruiser	235	—	—	Capt. J. H. Rodgem	Nagasaki
Cincinnati	U. S. gunboat	3213	—	—	Lieut. E. A. Anderson	Shanghai
Don Juan de Austria	U. S. gunboat	1150	—	1800	Capt. H. E. Mason	Hongkong
Elcano	U. S. gunboat	540	—	—	Captain Denbild	Shanghai
Holma	U. S. gunboat	1392	—	1288	Lt.-Comdr. J. Howl	Shanghai
Kentucky	U. S. gunboat	11,500	41	10,000	Comdr. Staunton	Shanghai
Monadnock	U. S. gunboat	3990	6	3900	Captain R. M. Berry	Kobe
Monocacy	U. S. monitor	1370	6	850	Captain Nelson	Port Art.
Monterey	U. S. gunboat	4384	4	5244	Comdr. Denbild	Tak
New Orleans	U. S. monitor	3427	20	—	Comdr. W. H. Beecher	Hongkong
Oregon	U. S. cruiser	10,238	45	—	Commander Blockinger	Nagasaki
Raleigh	U. S. cruiser	3213	—	—	Captain Burwell	Kobe
Vicksburg	U. S. gunboat	1000	13	1118	Captain Nazro	Shanghai
Villaboa	U. S. cruiser	400	—	—	Commander Marshall	Shanghai
Washington	U. S. gunboat	1397	9	1894	Lieut. E. O. Bertoletti	Shanghai
					Commander U. P. Barde	Shanghai

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Auctions.

2.50 p.m.—Auction of an Assortment of

Japanese Curios, etc., at Mr V. I.

Romedios' Sales Rooms.

Miscellaneous.

1 p.m.—Insurance Office Close.

Register of Shares of Humphreys' Estate

& Finance Co., Ltd., close from this

date to the 4th January, 1904, in-

clusive.

Goods per *Kiawshon* undelivered after

this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Catherine* undelivered after

4 p.m. date will on this be landed.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, December 16:—

9.30 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of a Fine Collection

of Japanese Art Curios and Embroi-

deries, etc., at Mr Geo. Lammert's

Sales Rooms.

SATURDAY, December 17:—

9 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.

Transfer Books of the Hongkong High-

Level Tramway Co., Ltd., closed from

this date to the 26th inst., inclusive.

Goods per *Ambrin* undelivered after this

date subject to rent.

SUNDAY, December 20:—

Goods per *Japan* not cleared at 4 p.m.

on this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Tienhai* not cleared at 4 p.m.

on this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, December 22:—

Goods per *Japan* undelivered after this

date at Noon will be subject to rent

and landing charges.

Goods per *Ambrin* undelivered after this

date subject to rent.

DEATH.

On Nov. 8, at 2, Richmond-grove, Hea-
vittree, Exeter, GEORGE RICHARD STEVENS,
late of Hongkong, in the 62nd year of his
age.
The publication of this issue commenced
at 6.00 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Off to Yokohama.

Mr Cesar Hawkins has been appointed
Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai
Bank at Yokohama in succession to the
late Mr David Jackson. Since leaving
Hongkong Mr Hawkins has been Inspector
of Branches. Both he and his wife will be a
distinct gain to social circles in Yokohama.

Missionary Directory.

We have received from the Hongkong
Daily Press a copy of their *Directory of
Protestant Missionaries in China, Japan,
and Corea for 1904*. The book, which con-
tains some 85 pages, is a complete and use-
ful record of all the Protestant missionaries
in the East. The book is equal, if not
superior to last year's issue, and deals with
the missions and missionaries in separate
sections.

Not a Company Concern.

A month ago, Colonel G. F. Brown,
D.S.O., A.A.G., War Office, late Military
Attache at Peking, delivered a lecture at
Aldershot on "Manchuria." After the
lecture, Major-General Douglas inquired
whether the Chinese Eastern Railway was
"run" by Russia, to which the lecturer,
replied that practically it was absolutely in
their hands. It was no more a company
concern than Aldershot was.

The Latest Golf Ball.

Mr Horace Hutchinson writes in
Country Life—The latest "notion" in golf-
balls in America would appear to be the
pneumatic ball, that is to say, a gutta-
percha case stuffed with compressed air.
From present indications it would seem
that the ball has not yet been brought to
the perfection that is hoped. The idea is
rather a nice one, and it suggests subsidiary
notions that are pleasant; as, for instance,
is the ball liable to puncture?

Local Recipients of the China Medal.

Messrs H. Rawcliffe, and George
Hyne, Master and Chief Engineer respec-
tively of the dredger *St. Enoch*, on Monday
last, received by post the China Medal for
their services in North China during the
troubles in 1900. The *St. Enoch* was then
lying at Wei-Hai-Wei, where guns were
mounted and a strong guard placed on
board. Messrs Rawcliffe and Hyne ren-
dered valuable aid to the authorities on the
occasion, and are to be congratulated on
being thus decorated.

Malaria in Hongkong.

In the course of a lecture before the
Royal Colonial Institute in London on the
10th ult., Major Ronald Ross, thumalaria
expert, referred to the good work which
was being accomplished in several colonies
for the suppression of malaria fever. He
quoted statistics from Hongkong showing
that in three years the disease had been
reduced over 50 per cent. Better results
have been obtained elsewhere, but Dr. Ross
does not appear to have thought that Hong-
kong's efforts justified any commendation on
his part.

Boxing Match To-night.

What promises to be an excellent
display of boxing will be held at the
City Hall to-night under the direction of
Mr J. Christie. The principal event will
be a match of 20 rounds between Sam
Newman, who has already appeared here
on several occasions, and Preston of the
Amphitrite. Several preliminary bouts
between good men will also take place,
and altogether the programme promises to
be a good one. Manager Christie has
arranged several good exhibitions here, and
there is no doubt he will give the public
good entertainment to-night.

The Russian Marine.

The Russian Ministries of Finance
and the Interior have just made public an
Ordinance of first-class importance to
Englishmen and other foreigners leaving
direct or indirect interests in Russian ship-
ping enterprises. The joint Ministerial
Edict runs as follows:—"Vessels carrying
the Russian Mercantile flag must belong
to a Russian proprietor or proprietor.
Syndicates or Companies owning a ship, or
ships trading under the Russian Mercantile
flag must be composed entirely of Russian
subjects. All the Shareholders of a Share
Company owning a vessel, or carrying the
Russian Mercantile flag must be Russian
subjects. In the case of foreigners in-
heriting, wholly or partially, a ship, or
ships, trading under the Russian Mercantile
flag, they must dispose of such prop-
rietaryship to a Russian subject, or sub-
jects, within two years of their inheritance,
unless, of course, the inheritor or in-
heritors themselves become Russian sub-
jects."

POLYGRAPH—"I'll do what I can to get work
for you." Citizen—"I don't want work; what
I'm after is a city job."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.
The Right Rev. W. R. Pym, Bishop
of Mauritius, has been appointed Bishop of
Bombay.

The death is announced of Sir Fre-
derick Bramwell, the distinguished civil
engineer.

H.M.S. *Centurion* (Capt. F. F. Fegen)
sailed from Portsmouth for Hongkong on
the 10th ult.

Russia is expending £3,700,000 in for-
tifying Dalny, and improving the Trans-
Siberian railway line.

Lord Chamberlain (Earl of Clarendon)
has declined to license the production of
stage plays in music-halls.

The N.Y.K. has attached the Russian
steamer *Progress*, claiming ¥148,000 for the
loss of the *Tobai Maru*.

Sir Ernest Flower, M.P., who is one
of the "Birthday" knights is on the Execu-
tive Committee of that benighted body the
China League.

Engineer-Commander J. E. D. Graham
has been appointed to the *Tenaro*, for the
Western and Hongkong Reserve, to date
Nov. 16.

The Russian men-of-war *Cesarvitch*
and *Bayan*, which were seen off the Shan-
tung Promontory the other day, reached
Port Arthur on Dec. 2.

The *Tokio Asahi* says that Mr Kurino,
the Japanese Minister at St. Petersburg,
has been instructed to demand a speedy re-
ply on the Manchurian question.

Mr David Jackson, manager of the
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corpora-
tion, who died at Yokohama in July, left
property which is valued at £12,007.

Three Japanese have been arrested at
Vladivostok with a bag with a double
bottom in which were forged Russian
notes of the apparent value of £130,000.

There is some reason to think that
one of the reasons for the pacific telegrams
promulgated in Europe was the hope of
persuading China that Japan was deserting
her.

The marriage of Ethel, third daughter
of Sir John Duxton, K.C.B., R.N., to
Mr Herbert Price, of Hongkong and Man-
ila, has been arranged for Wednesday,
Jan. 13.

Rear-Admiral Beardslee, U.S.N., one
of the very few survivors of the Perry Ex-
pedition to Japan, and of the battle of
Muddy Flat at Shanghai, died on Nov. 11.
He brought the *Potos* to China in 1870.

In his recent speech at the United Ser-
vice Club banquet, Mr Balfour said:—"Of
the critics of the Government's military
policy, he thought Messrs Bannerman and
Fowler and Lord Rosebery should of all
men have maintained silence for very
shame."

The marriage of Mr Kenneth A. Ste-
vens, of Singapore, son of the late Capt.
Hildebrand Stevens, R.N., to Alice H.
Mary, fifth daughter of Mr Chas. Wishart,
formerly of the New Harbour Dock Com-
pany, Singapore, will take place this
month.

Canton Regatta.

The Canton Rowing Club Regatta,
which comes off this week, is, says our Can-
ton correspondent, being looked forward
to with great interest. The programme in-
cludes Wherries, Canoes, Hong Pair Oars
and Gigs, International Pair Oars and
Fours, Man-o-War's, Service Boats, Single
Sculls, Skiffs, etc. There are a large
number of entries and a number of attrac-
tive prizes.

Singapore and the French Mail.

The *Singapore Free Press* of the 2nd
inst. says:—"The local agent of the Mes-
sageries Maritimes Co has informed the
Acting Postmaster-General that the s.s. *Hin-
laya* due here on the 7th inst. would con-
nect with the s.s. *Sydney* at Colombo.
But according to a telegram from Colombo
it would appear that the *Sydney*, owing to
repairs made in Bombay, would not be able
to leave that port till the 12th inst. and
would consequently leave Colombo only on
or about the 18th inst. So that even if the
Sydney leaves Colombo on the 10th inst.,
and this is not at all certain, as repairs fre-
quently take longer than the minimum
time estimated—this mail would probably
not reach London until the 3rd or 4th prox,
whereas the P. & O. steamer leaving here
on the 11th inst. is sure to reach London on
Jan. 3. Under these circumstances the
Acting Postmaster-General has decided not
to forward any correspondence by the
French packet due to leave here on the 7th
inst., unless specially superseded to go by
that route. Correspondence which would
ordinarily be despatched by French packet
will be detained here and be forwarded by
the P. & O. packet leaving on the 11th inst."

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Naval Intelligence Department.
Captain H. J. Crocker, Royal Marine
Light Infantry, has been transferred from
the *Ocean* to the *Gloria*, for duty as Intel-
ligence Officer on the China Station, in
succession to Captain P. Molloy, whose
period of appointment expired on the 31st
October.

Hongkong Volunteer Concert.
In another column will be found an
advertisement announcing an evening con-
cert under the auspices of the Hongkong
Volunteer Corps, on Saturday, 16th Janu-
ary, commencing at 9 p.m. The program-
me, we believe, promises to be a good one,
and comprises nine or ten items, besides a
sketch entitled "Tinkish Times."

Radio-Telography.
The Italian naval authorities have test-
ed Alessandro Antonis' system of radio-
telography, by which he claims to have
solved the question of dirigibility of wire-
less currents. The tests prove that the
receipt of signals closed when charged
electric waves were directed away from the
former receiving station, thus demon-
strating the possibility of concentrating cur-
rents at a specific point.

Liverpool Cathedral.
The Executive Committee of the Liver-
pool Cathedral scheme met on the 10th ult.,
and decided to proceed with the main
fabric of the building, including the choir
and transepts. There are expected to
accommodate 3500 people. The estimated
cost is £20,000. The Cathedral, it was
stated, will be the largest in Great Britain.
The demolition of buildings on the pro-
posed site is in progress. It is expected
H. M. the King will lay the foundation
stone early next spring.

The Transvaal Schools.
Ex-General Louis Botha, in a letter to
Mr Leonard Courtney (who was Chairman
of Committees and Deputy-Speaker of the
House of Commons for many years), com-
plains that false history is taught in the
Transvaal schools, and that the teachers are
Romanists and Sacerdotalists. Mrs Mil-
lison (widow of the late Mr Henry
Fawcett, M.P., and who has taken a con-
siderable interest in South African educa-
tional matters since the war) asserts that no
history is taught, pending the preparation
of the textbooks in satisfactory Dutch and
English. The utmost care, she says, is
taken in the selection of teachers, who are
in harmony with the views of the parents of
children attending the schools.

A Great Chess Tournament.
Below are given further particulars
about the forthcoming International
Chess Masters' Tournament at Cambridge
Springs, Pa. (1) Besides the \$1000 and \$500
first and second prizes, there will remain
\$1500 to be divided amongst the rest of
competitors. The competitors themselves
will be left to decide in what proportion to
dispose of this sum. (2) Play will continue
daily, commencing at nine a.m., except
Wednesdays, which will be devoted to un-
finished games. Saturdays will be devoted
to the Rice Gambit. (3) The players will
be consulted about the time limit and other
minor points; and in case of non-agreement
the umpires will give their decision, which
is to be final. The following Masters have
accepted the invitation to take part in
the Tournament:—Lasker, Janowski,
Schlechter, Teichmann, Tchigorin, Pills-
bury, Marshall, Napier, Barry, Hodges,
Lipschutz, and Shvvalier. Maroczy has
not replied yet. Barns's whereabouts is not
known, and Dr Tarasch called that he has
not come to a decision yet. Marro, Misses,
and Swiderski have been selected to fill
vacancies in the order named. Herr Mieses
is on tour in America. He has fixtures for
exhibition play at the Brooklyn and Man-
hattan Chess Clubs.

The British Expedition to Tibet.
The *Sin Wan Pao* is informed by its
Peking correspondent that the Chinese
Imperial Resident at Tibet telegraphed to
the Peking Waiwupu that a British Ex-
pedition comprising eighty artillery-men
and six hundred men of the Indian native
Infantry crossed the border into Tibet
on Nov. 17. The Tibetan natives were
panic-stricken and fled. He (the Imperial
Resident) sent deputies to ask the British
not to advance but the mission was of no
avail. On Nov. 21 the expedition entered
further into the interior, consequently he
requested the Waiwupu on the one hand to
communicate with the British Minister
at Peking on the matter and on the
other to appoint a high Commissioner at
once to come to Tibet and negoti-
ate with the British commissioner re-
lating to the Tibetan Indian frontier
question, so as not to give Great Britain a
pretext of sending troops into the interior.
In response the Waiwupu approached
the British Minister relating to the above
report and the Minister in reply informed
them that the expedition was sent by the
Indian Government to define the bound-
aries between Tibet and India and as
the Tibetan natives were of barbarous
instincts the Government sent troops to
accompany the expedition as an escort.
The Minister further requested the Wai-
wupu to inform the Tibetans of his reply
and assure them not to be alarmed. The
Imperial Resident has also telegraphed to
the Waiwupu for two interpretations of the
Chinese language to proceed im-
mediately to Tibet to assist in the
negotiations.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A Visiting Pianist.
Mrs Candotti, the well-known pian-
ist, who is at present touring the East,
arrived in Hongkong yesterday, and sailed
in the evening for Canton. Early next
month, Mrs Candotti will give recitals here,
and, judging by her reputation as a musi-
cian, they should be well worth hearing.

Officer Injured at Polo.
In the finals in the Hyderabad Polo
Tournament on the 27th ult., Colonel
Gymkhana won by nine goals and four
subsidaries from the 4th Hussars, who
scored two goals and four subsidaries.
Colonel Kincaid Smith, of the 4th Hussars
team, sustained a nasty accident and broke
his collar-bone.

Three Big Battleships.
The keel of the battleship *Hibernia*,
of the King Edward VII. class, has
been ordered to be laid at Devonport, thus
averting a large discharge of workmen.
The building of the *Britannia* and the
Africa, of the same class, has been ordered
to be begun at Portsmouth and Chatham.

In Praise of Britain.
The *Manila Cablenews* says:—"Gov-
ernor Taft never spoke truer than at the
English Club Thursday night: 'America
has much to learn of Britain in the man-
agement of colonies.' One has but to go to
Shanghai or Hongkong to see the proof of
this. Britain runs her Colonies; they do
not run her. (Shanghai, it may be ex-
plained to the *Cablenews*, is not a British
Colony.—Ed., C.M.)"

Consul Departs from Canton.
Our Canton correspondent writes under
date of December 10:—"As already stated
in your columns, Mr James Scott, H.B.M.
Consul-General in this important post,
leaves here this week for a much-needed and
thoroughly deserved rest at home. There
is very general regret at the departure
of Mr Scott. Within the knowledge of this
writer, the British Government has not had
a more efficient servant in the settlement.
A number of difficult duties have devolved
upon Mr Scott and he has always discharged
those duties with credit to his country.
While he has not always pleased the ex-
tremists, he has certainly acted with vigor
when the situation has demanded such
action. His many friends, who are by no
means confined to King Edward's subjects,
wish for him many substantial rewards for
his labors and a most enjoyable stay in the
home country."

The 'Centurion's' Guns.
Persistent rumours have been spread
that the sights of the 10-in. guns on
H.M.S. *Centurion* are defective. The
secretary of the Navy League reports that
the League received the following com-
munication from an anonymous source at
Portsmouth:—"Are you aware that
H.M.S. *Centurion* is being hurried away
from England with such defective gun-
sights for her 10-in. guns that there
is a variable error in them amounting some-
times to as much as 600 yards, due to
'back-lash' in the wheel gearing which
works the sights? The gunnery experts of
the *Centurion* have refused to pass the
sights, but their protests have been over-
ruled and the ship ordered to sail on
Tuesday next for Hong Kong. In the
last instance of the Navy it is absolutely
essential that these defects should be re-
mended, even if it means delaying the ship
for weeks. Can't you do something?
This is not the only statement that has
been made, but it seems incredible that the
defects would allow the *Centurion* to
be sent to the Far East in a virtually
unsafe condition. It is a pity that an official
statement is not made on the matter."

The Plague.
Natives of the 22nd October contains
the following:—"For a long time plague
has been endemic in Hongkong, the dis-
ease recurring after a period of intermis-
sion in a despicable manner. Prof.
Simmonds has pointed out in a report
to the Government that domestic animals
and poultry are the carriers of the disease
in a latent form, and that infected
food may be a potent source in dis-
seminating the disease. According to
the *Times* (October 17) Sir Henry Blake,
the Governor, has recently instituted an in-
vestigation of the inhabitants and vermin
of a large native quarter in the colony,
certified to be free from plague. This has
revealed that a considerable number of the
bugs, fleas, spiders and cockroaches contain
plague bacilli. Samples of blood from
supposed healthy natives upon examina-
tion showed the presence of plague bacilli
in 5 per cent. of the specimens. Under
favourable conditions such infected persons
and vermin become possible sources of
danger, and sporadic outbreaks must be
expected while they are present. It is
difficult also to see what measures can be
taken to eradicate the disease in these
circumstances."

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Get a bottle to-day; it may save a life.
When you ask for a bottle of Cham-
berlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy, see
that you get it. It has saved the test for
thirty-five years, and has proved equal to a
variety for all bowel disorders, so don't
experiment with a something that some
substituter will claim is "Just as Good."
For sale by all chemists and medicine ven-
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TELEGRAMS.

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PEACE IN PANAMA.

THE COLUMBIAN INVASION
OFF.

General Reyes Opposed to It.

LONDON, December 15.

General Reyes, the newly-elected Pre-
sident of Columbia, is opposed to the
threatened Colombian invasion of
Panama, and a peaceful settlement is
now assured.

[Note that peace is practically assured in
the Isthmus it is probable that every effort
will be put forth to commence the con-
struction of the Canal. If, however, any
further obstacle should intervene, a bill
passed by the United States Congress
empowers the President to enter into
negotiations with the Nicaraguan Govern-
ment. If that should be done, the route
will be selected which has first determined
upon, and, indeed, was contemplated when
the Clayton-Bulwer Treaty was signed over
50 years ago, but for many reasons the
Panama route is highly preferable. The
construction of the canal is a huge under-
taking, which, when completed, will, to
use the words of President Roosevelt, open
up a highway for universal commerce across
an exceptionally favoured route. That
can be seen from the map. As far back as
1878 a ship canal was commenced by Fer-
dinand de Lesseps, the diggings being
began in 1881, but in March, 1889, work
ceased, owing to lack of funds. A new
company (Compagnie Nouvelle du Canal
de Panama) was formed in Paris, with a
capital of 50,000,000 francs, and work was
commenced on October 1, 1889, and is still
proceeding, with about 1000 workmen.
The company's concession expires on
October 31, 1904. An eight-lock canal has
been decided upon, and with the work
already done, the latest technical com-
mission estimated that it could be completed
in 10 years, at an additional outlay of
£20,000,000. Up to the date of the survey,
nearly £80,000,000 had been spent, and, if
that be added to the capital of the present
working company, and to the amount
to be necessary for completion, the canal
will eventually cost £135,000,000. The
total length will be 46 1/2 miles; depth,
20ft.; width at bottom 72ft., and at the
surface of the water 124ft.—Ed., C.M.]

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Capt. DEINAT.

S.S. *Arcturion*,
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OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,
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JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL
EUROPEAN, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST
AUSTRALIAN, JAVA, AND SUMATRA PORTS.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	17th	December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	1st	January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	15th	January.
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GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	12th	March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	26th	March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	9th	April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	23rd	April.

The S.S. ARCTURION has arrived and leaves for Singapore TO-MORROW.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	17th	December.
LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	1st	January.
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LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	26th	March.
LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	9th	April.
LIVERPOOL	ARCTURION	23rd	April.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, AND	ARCTURION	1st	January.
ALL PACIFIC COAST PORTS VIA	ARCTURION	15th	January.
NIKI, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA	ARCTURION	29th	January.

For freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, December 16, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
MANILA	ARCTURION	17th	December.
SHANGHAI	ARCTURION	1st	January.
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SHANGHAI	ARCTURION	26th	March.
SHANGHAI	ARCTURION	9th	April.
SHANGHAI	ARCTURION	23rd	April.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these Steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A daily qualified Surgeon is carried.

* Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze & Northern China Ports. * Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

N.B.—REDUCED SALOON FARES, Single and Return, To Manila and Australian Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, December 15, 1903.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID

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PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA, AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON

AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SINGAPORE AND SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND

PASSENGERS AND LOGGERS.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PORTS

IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.

Steamers	DATE	WEDNESDAY	23rd Dec.
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WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE

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SHANGHAI	...	ARCTURION	About 10th	Freight and
LONDON, &c.	...	ARCTURION	December.	Passage.

LONDON, &c.....	{	C. R. LONGDEN.....	December.	Advertisements
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA	{	Manila	About 24th	Freight and

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

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December 16, 1908.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	50,000	\$ 125	all	\$875, others
National Bank of China, Limited	19,970	10	10	London, 264
Do. Founders' shares	29,950	10	10	\$20, buyers
Do. Founders' shares	750	1	1	\$10, buyers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$ 250	8	\$175, sales
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	50,000	83.33	26	\$27, ex div., sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	100	25	\$120, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	250	100	\$490, sellers
Yongtong Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,000	100	8	\$125
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$ 100	20	\$80, sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	250	60	\$310, sales & sellers
DOCKS, ETC.				
H'kong & Shanghai Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$ 50	all	\$204, sales
Yao, Fenrick & Co., Limited	4,000	28	25	\$474, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	62	62	\$32, buyers
S. C. Barnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.	55,700	110	100	\$160, The 122, sellers
STEAMBOATS, TRUGS, ETC.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$ 50	50	\$10
Dugan Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	50	60	\$30
H.K. & N. Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	15	15	\$152, sales
Indo-China S. M. Company, Limited	60,000	10	all	\$10, buyers
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	10	10	\$250, sellers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	10	12	\$19, buyers
T. K. Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	8,600	10	10	\$12.30, sellers
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	300,000	10	10	\$10, The 124, sellers
do. Preference.	100,000	10	10	\$12, sales
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	\$ 100	a	\$104, sales
London Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	100	a	\$10, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	7,000	100	60	\$10, 60
WHEAT.				
H.K. & Kow, Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	\$ 50	all	\$95, buyers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.	20,100	100	100	\$120, The 126, buyers
LAND AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	\$ 100	100	\$155, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	39,000	100	100	\$104, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	50	60	\$55, buyers
Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co., Ltd.	3,784	100	25	\$12, sellers
Hongkong Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	100,000	10	all	\$11, sales
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,000	50	50	\$52, sales
TRAMWAYS.				
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	100	all	\$220
MINING.				
J. J. & Co. Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$ 5	5	\$5 cents, sellers
New Fuzhou Mining Co., Ltd.	60,000	11	11	\$1.50, sellers
do. Preference shares	30,000	1	all	20 cents
Soc. des Francaises des Charbonnages du Tonkin.	16,000	250	all	\$200, sellers
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	1	18/10	\$5, sellers
HOTELS.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	\$ 50	all	\$148, buyers
Astor House Hotel Ltd. (Tientsin).	2,000	100	100	\$150, buyers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'hai)	30,000	25	25	\$22, buyers
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	60,000	\$ 10	all	\$142, sales & sellers
Watkins Limited	10,000	10	10	\$72
ICEWORKS.				
H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	10	all	\$140, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	100	100	\$137, sales
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	50,000	10	10	\$12, buyers
New Electric (new issue)	30,000	10	5	\$52, buyers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$ 10	10	\$224, buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Manila Investment Co., Ltd.	23,000	\$ 50	50	\$15, sellers
Bell's Asbestos Master Agency, Ltd.	8,001	12/6	12/6	\$5, sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	9,000	10	10	\$4, buyers
do. Limited	10,000	10	10	\$210, buyers
H.K. Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	7,000	10	10	\$164, buyers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	10,000	72	all	\$12, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	2,000	25	25	\$22, sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	20,000	5	5	\$145, sellers
Shanghai Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	10	10	\$15, buyers
Woo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	17,500	10	10	\$10, buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	1,000	100	100	\$15, buyers
Loan Chow-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	100	100	\$10, buyers
China Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	2,000	100	100	\$10, buyers
China President Loan Mortgage Co., Ltd.	60,000	10	10	\$22
China Finance Company, Ltd.	80,000	12	12	\$8, buyers
Campbell Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	10	all	\$4
Wm. Powel, Ltd.	12,000	10	10	\$9
Shanghai and Hongkong Dyngin and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,200	50	50	\$50, Nominal
The Eastern-Hongkong Ice and Cold Storage Company, Limited	70,000	10	10	\$10, Nominal
CIGAR COMPANIES.				
China Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	30,000	50	50	\$15, sales
Manila Limited	300	50	50	\$2.50

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